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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This response is being submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 27, 2008 in the above captioned application.

Election

Applicant hereby elects Group I, claims 1-13, with traverse.

Please amend the claims as follows: